

A bill for an act
relating to construction codes; modifying regulation of elevators; amending
Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 326B.163, subdivision 5.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 326B.163, subdivision 5, is amended to
read:

Subd. 5. **Elevator.** As used in this chapter, "elevator" means moving walks and
vertical transportation devices such as escalators, passenger elevators, freight elevators,
dumbwaiters, hand-powered elevators, endless belt lifts, and wheelchair platform lifts;
~~but~~. Elevator does not include:

(1) external temporary material lifts or temporary construction personnel elevators at
sites of construction of new or remodeled buildings;

(2) manlifts in grain elevators and feed mills subject to installation limitations under
Minnesota Rules, part 5205.0550; or

(3) platform wheelchair lifts and elevators in churches.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
Subdivision 5, clauses (2) and (3), expire on July 1, 2010.

Sec. 2. **REGULATION OF ELEVATORS; STUDY.**

The Department of Labor and Industry shall establish an advisory committee to
review existing rules and laws relating to: special purpose lifts, hand elevators, platform
wheelchair lifts and elevators in churches, and manlifts in grain elevators, feed mills,
and similar facilities not for public use. The department shall report to the legislature

2.1 by January 30, 2010, any statutory or rule changes needed to address the appropriate
2.2 maintenance criteria, qualifications of maintenance personnel, and annual operating
2.3 permits, inspections, audits, and fees for manlifts, hand elevators, platform wheelchair
2.4 lifts and elevators in churches, or special purpose lifts in grain elevators, feed mills, or
2.5 similar facilities not for public use.

2.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.